US ERA ARCHIVE DOCUMENT

Energy & Materials Flow & Cost Tracker (EMFACT)



Overview

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EMFACT Objectives

- To assist small & medium-sized businesses in the U.S. to:
- → Better track & understand the use & flow of fuel, water, & materials through their facility
- → Better understand the actual costs of poor resource efficiency & subsequent waste management
- → Improved business decision-making & environmental performance
- → Implement a cycle of continuous improvement via continuous tracking

EMFACT Products

- → An easy-to-use, well-documented tool to assist small & medium-sized enterprises in tracking:
 - fuel, water, & materials use
 - generation of air emissions, wastewater,
 & solid/hazardous waste
 - associated costs
- → User's guidance & training materials
- → Training for technical assistance providers
- → Online downloadable free access to the software application & support materials

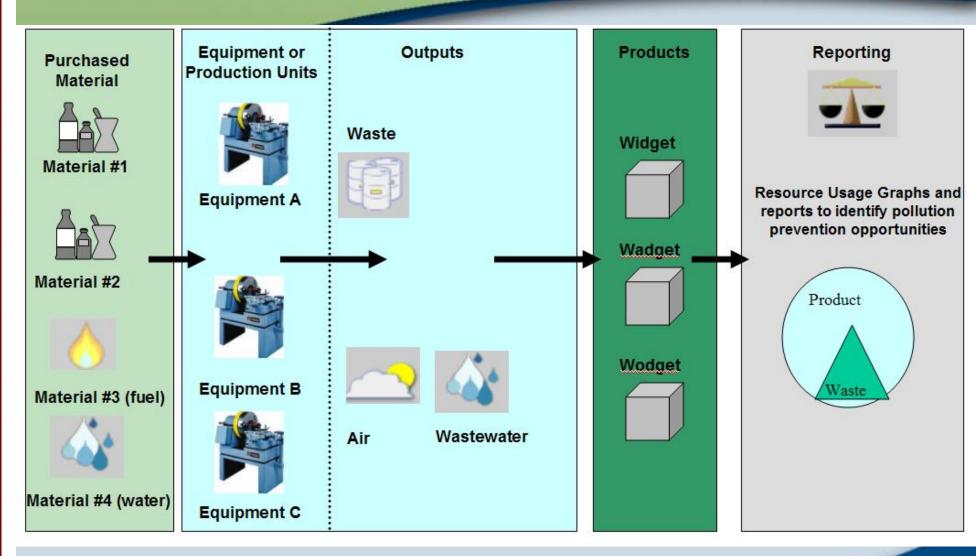
EMFACT Team

- → US EPA (funder)
- → Northwest Waste Management Officials' Association (NEWMOA)
- → Massachusetts Office of Technical Assistance (Mass OTA)
- → SYS Technologies
- → EMARIC
- → Advisory Group (includes EPA)

Development Process

- Engaged Advisory Committee, TURPAs, example companies, & NEWMOA's Board
- Developed a Draft Request for Proposals (RFP)
- Held a vendors' meeting Comments on Draft
- Issued final RFP Held bidder's conference
- 5 proposals submitted
- Formed review committee
- Selected SYS Technologies
- Developed contract
- Developed systems & data requirements

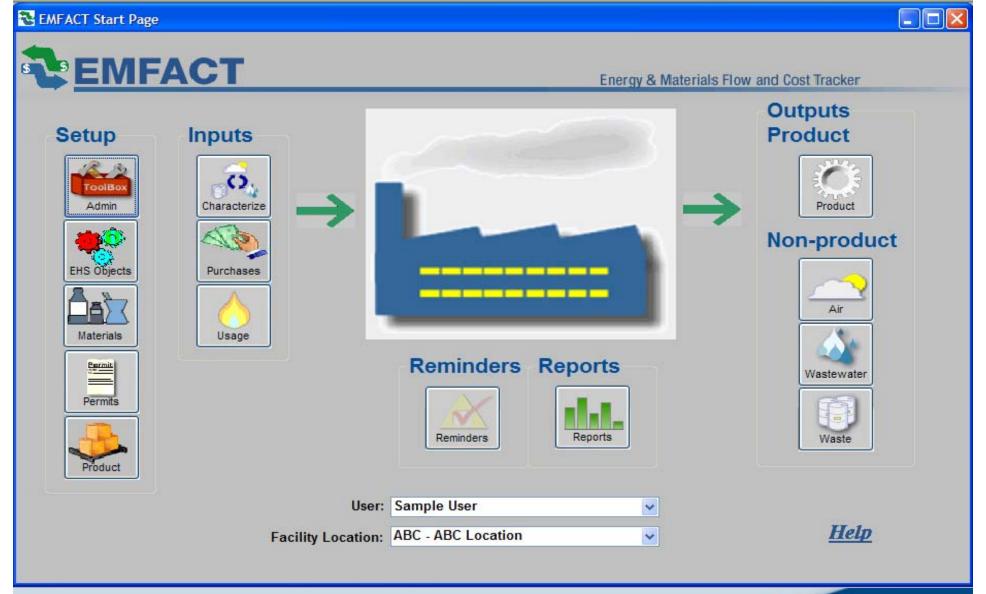
Data Flow



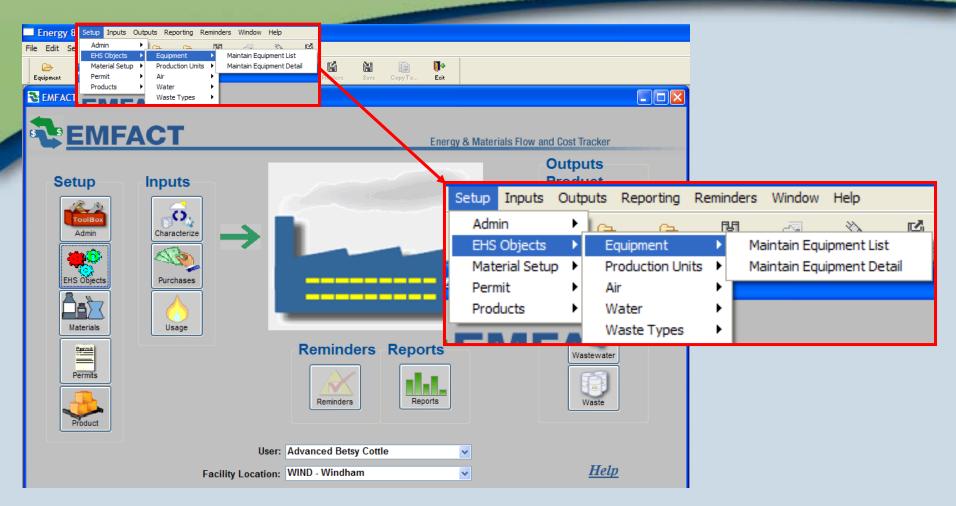
EMFACT Approach

- → User has the option to define:
 - Organization (e.g., departments)
 - Site & buildings
 - Equipment, including waste management equipment
 - Inputs (fuel, water, materials, chemical constituents)
 - Intermediate & final products
 - Non-product outputs (air, water, waste)
- → Link the components together
- → Populate with data, e.g., physical quantities, costs, emission factors
- → Analyze & report

EMFACT Dashboard



EMFACT Navigation



Menu paths are provided for all windows.

Clicking an icon, button, or menu path will open a new window for the indicated functionality.

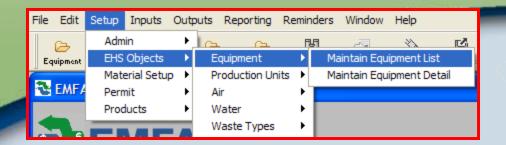
EMFACT Example

Air Emissions from a Paint Booth

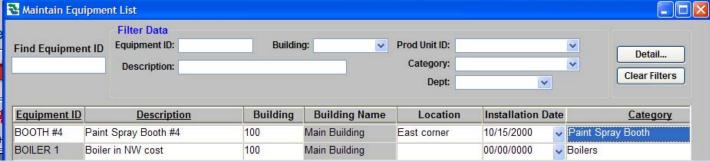




Define Process Equipment



Add Paint
Booth to the
Equipment
List - then
add details.



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Define Input Materials

Outputs

Fuel

Reporting

Prod Unit Waste Char

Edit

Equipment

Natural Gas

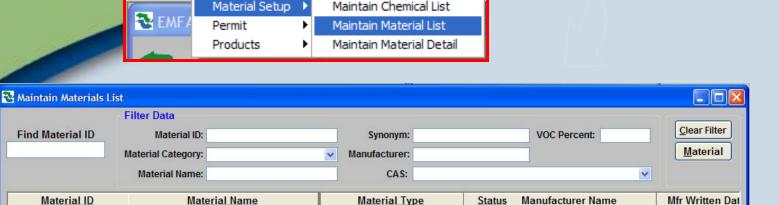
Paint specific to Booths

Setup

Admin

EHS Objects

Inputs



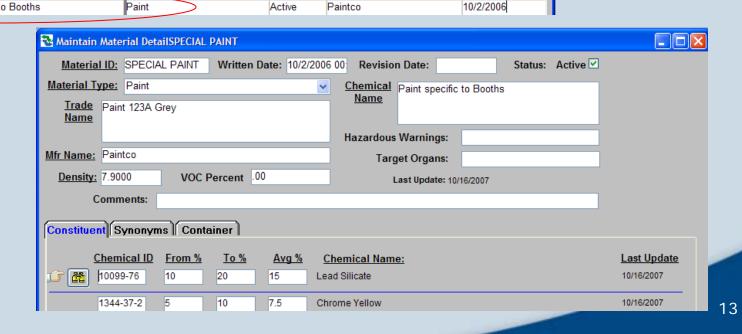
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Reminders

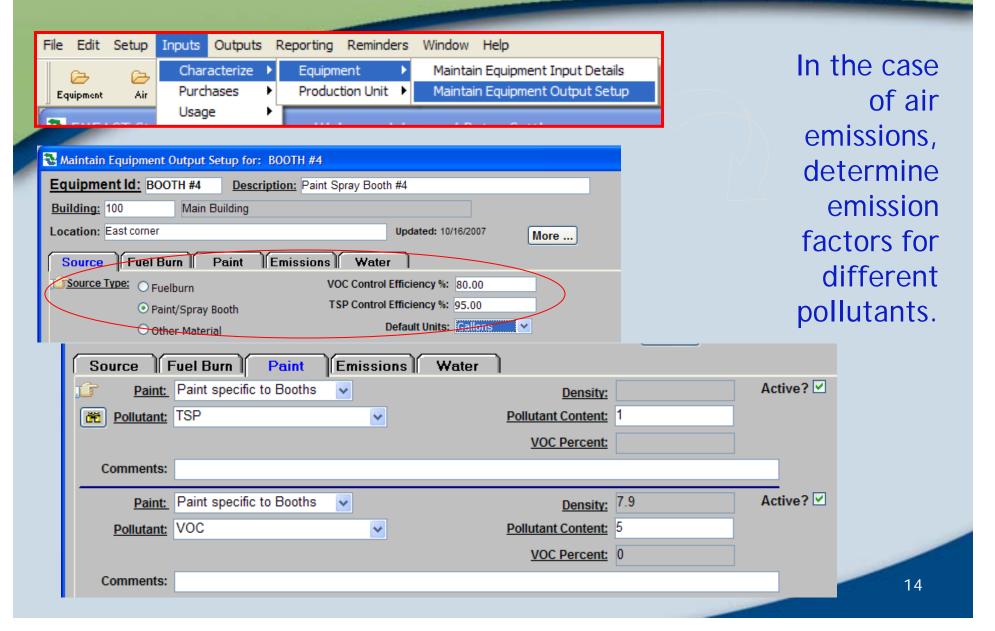
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Add paint to the Input **Materials** List then add details.

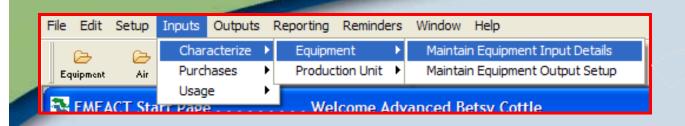


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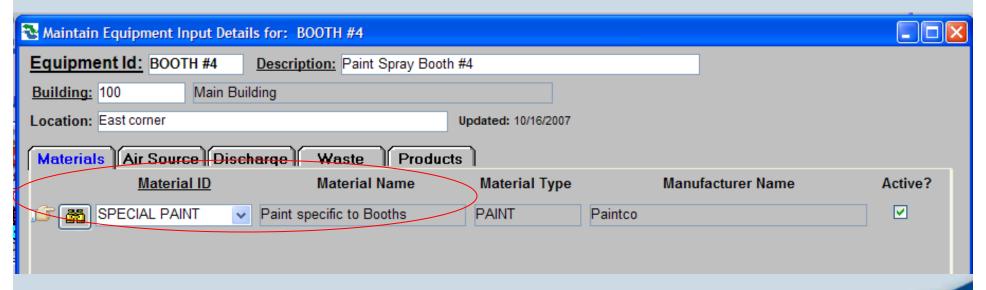
Define Non-product Outputs



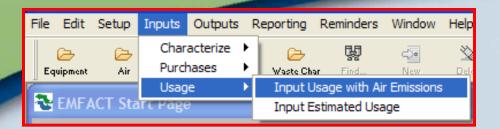
Link Equipment, Inputs, & Outputs



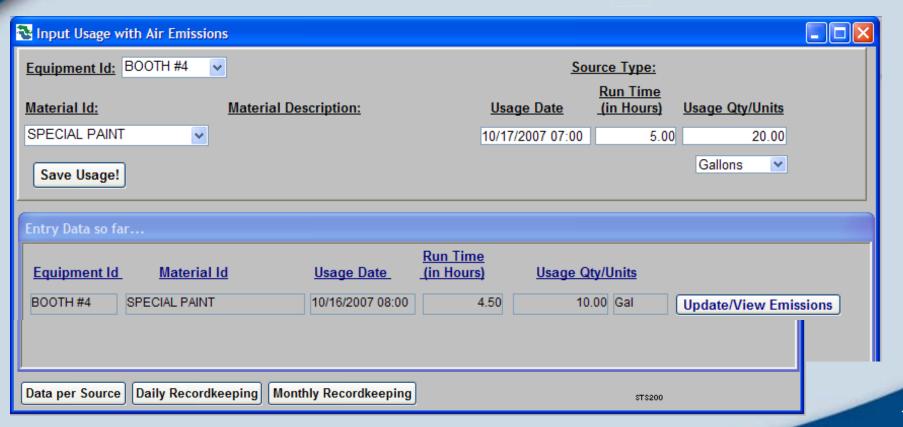
Link the Paint Input Material to the Paint Booth Equipment.



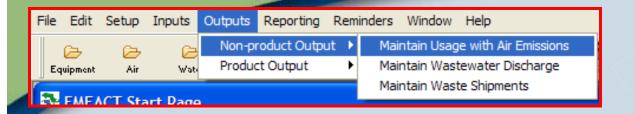
Inputs – Enter Usage Data



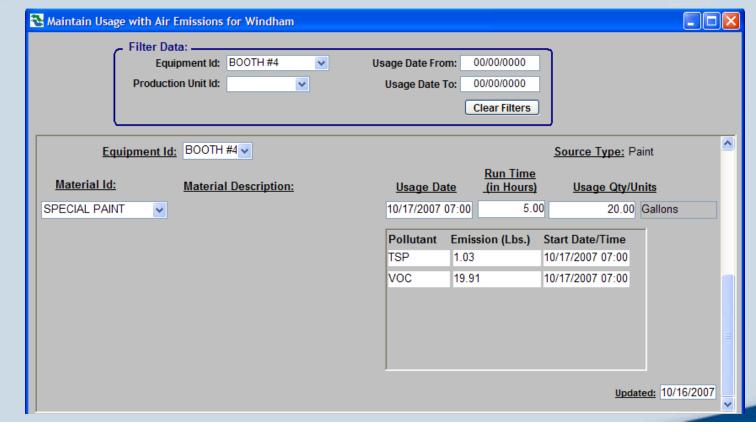
Enter paint usage data.



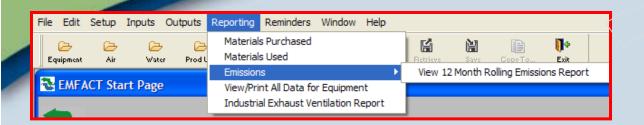
Outputs - Auto Calculated (in this case)



Emissions are automatically calculated in this case. Outputs will be manually entered in other cases, e.g., solid waste.

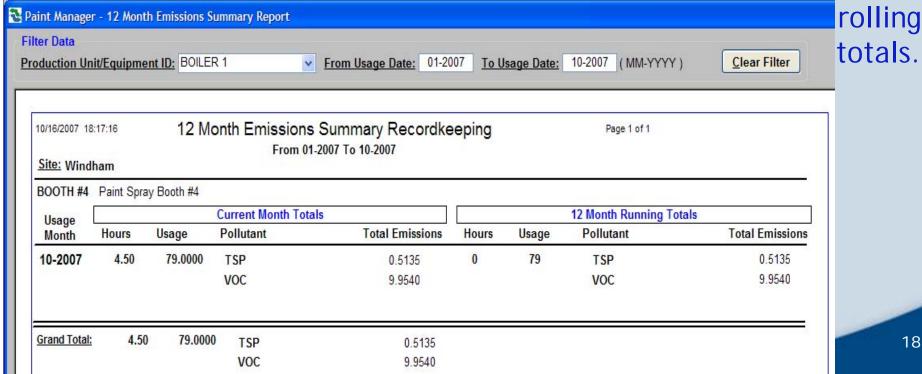


Report



Review paint usage with computed emissions by month & 12month

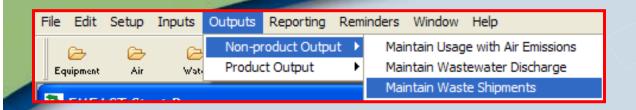
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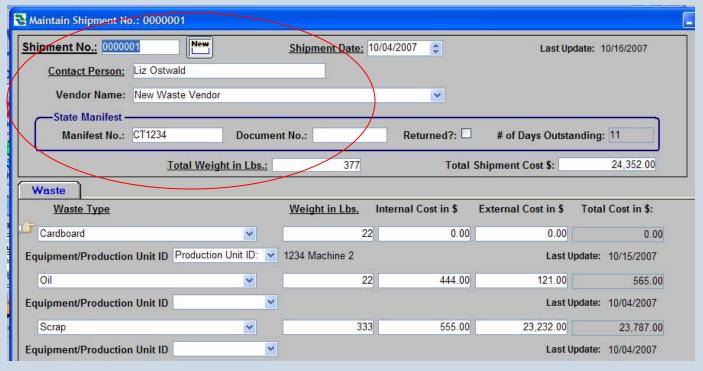


Cost Data

- → EMFACT will also allow collection of relevant cost data; this feature is in an early stage of development.
- → Examples include:
 - Materials purchase costs
 - Waste management & disposal costs
 - Others

Waste Shipments & Costs



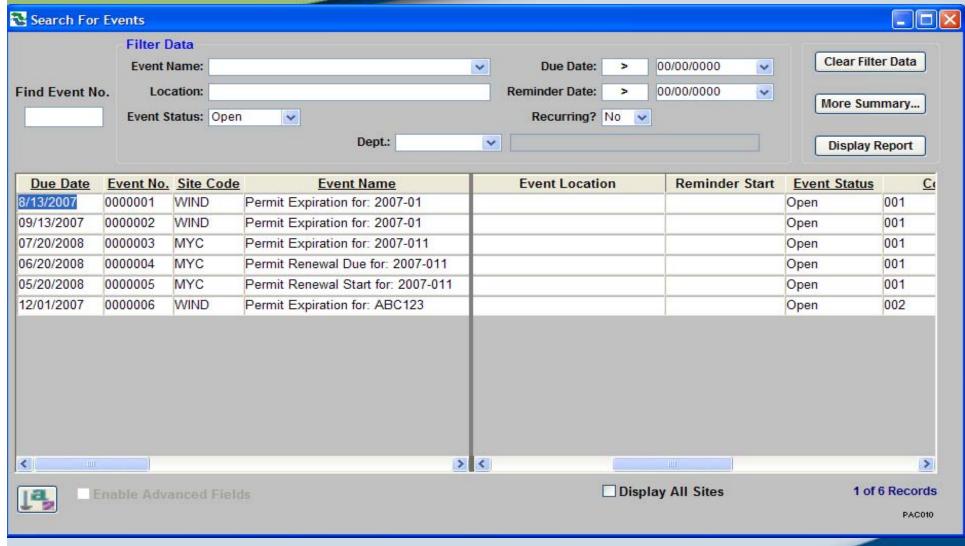


The Waste
Shipment screen
allocates back to
the source,
tracks cost data,
& tracks other
waste shipment
information
(date, manifest,
vendor, etc.).

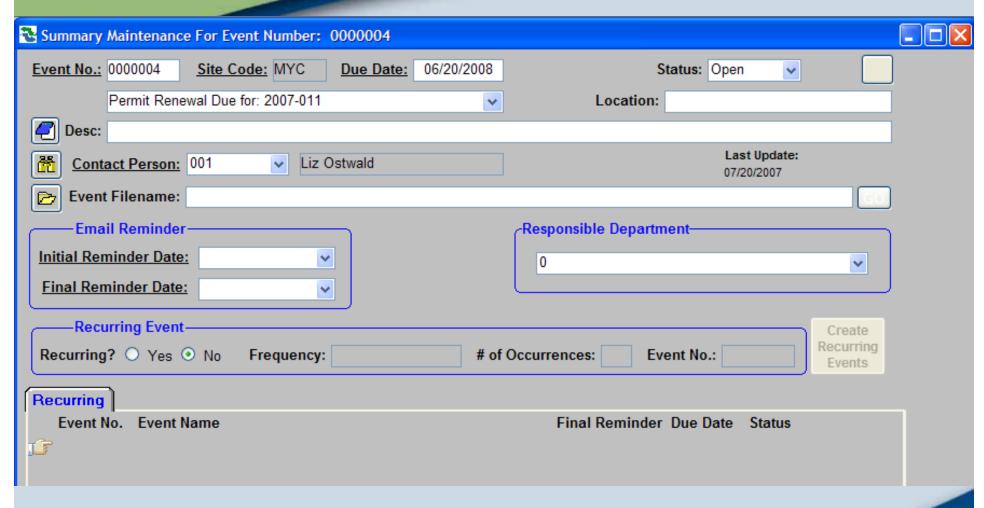
Compliance Information

- → A survey of potential users told us regulatory compliance must be a component of EMFACT
- → So, EMFACT incorporates lists of regulated chemicals; tool can flag & report on these chemicals:
 - SARA 313
 - Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) federal & state
 - Ozone Depleting Substances Classes I & II
- → EMFACT also provides
 - Ability for users to create their own chemical lists
 - Screens to list/describe permits
 - A calendar with event reminders (e.g., permit renewal)

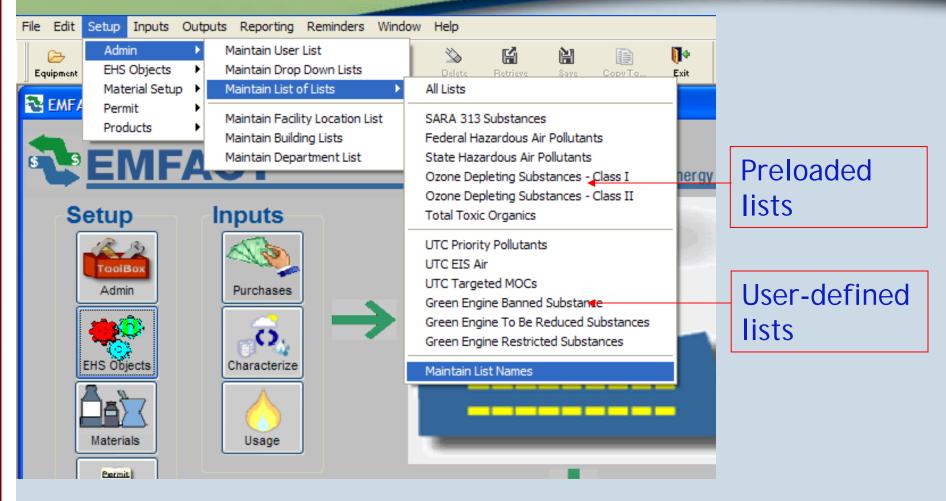
Examples of Reminders



Reminder Details



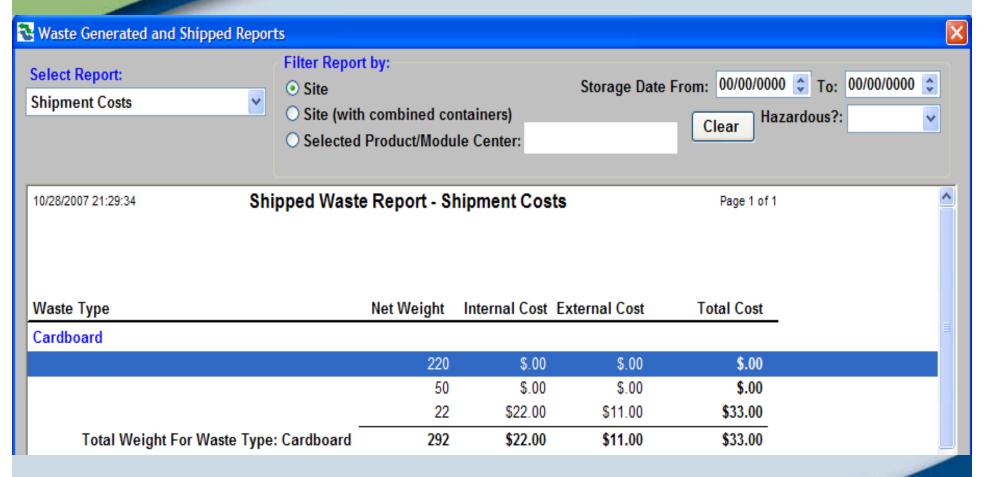
Lists of Regulated Chemicals



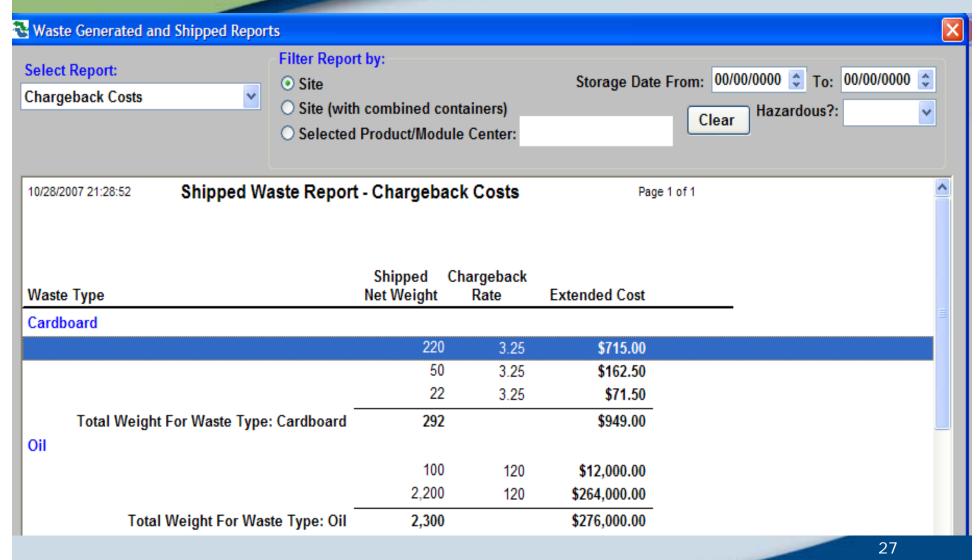
What Kinds of Reports?

- → Lists of equipment & of materials/chemicals
- → Materials Use &/or Non-Product Output per unit of product, per equipment, per production unit, for entire facility
- → Materials Use incorporated into product vs. into non-product output
- → Various cost reports
- → SEARCH window will enable searching by a variety of fields - output can be printed or saved to Excel

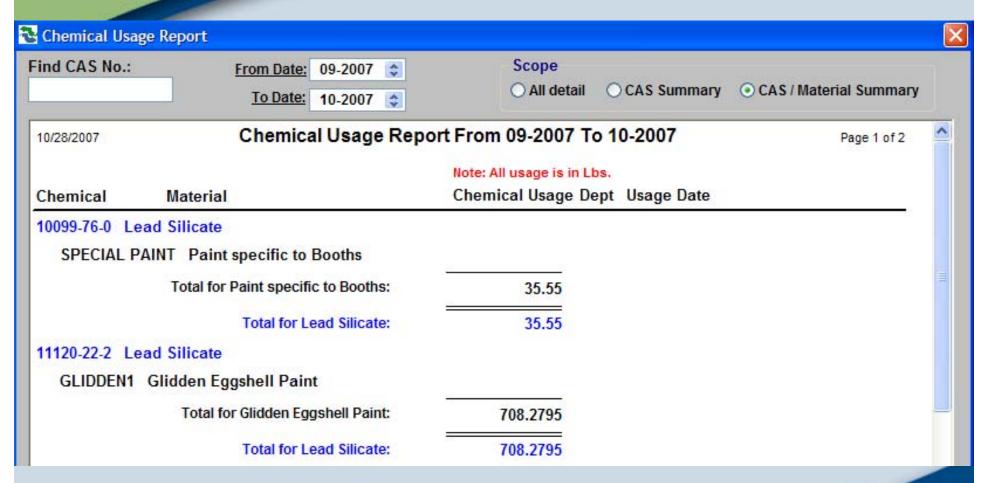
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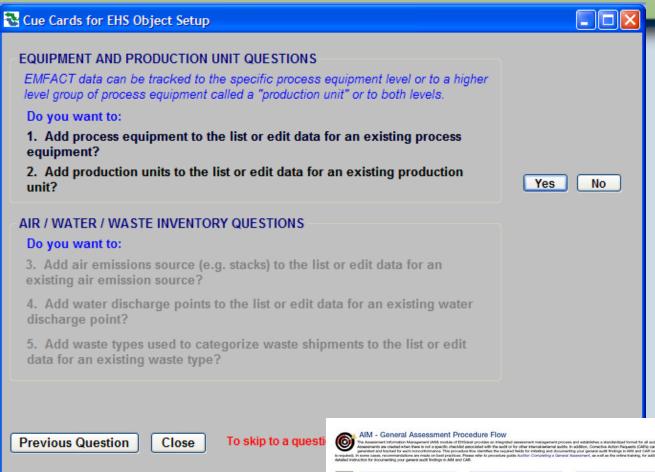
Example—Chemical Usage



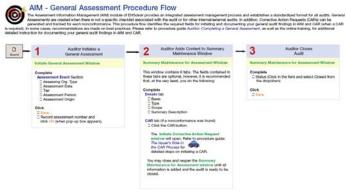
User Flexibility

- → Two user levels: basic & advanced
- → Can have multiple users
- → Can start small or big for a single process or product line, or for the entire facility
- → Can do grouping
 - Group individual pieces of equipment into "production units"
 - Group similar pieces of equipment into equipment "categories", e.g., paint booths

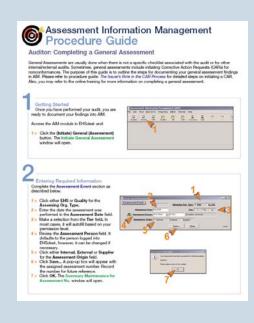
EMFACT Help Features



Other user documentation will include process flows & procedure guides.



"Cue-card" type menus will be provided for the basic user to guide them through a logical series of windows.



EMFACT Development Status

- → Development will continue for another 2-4 weeks
- → Early (team) testing is ongoing
- → Formal testing start target is November – includes pilot training at facilities
- → Launch v1 in March 2008 (downloadable for free!)

For More Info...

http://www.newmoa.org/prevention/emfact

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